

STATE OF ILLINOIS

ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Consumers Gas Company	:	
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Petition pursuant to §7-101 of the	:	
Public Utilities Act seeking authority to	:	10-0611
enter a lease of office space in which	:	
an affiliated interest exists.	:	

ORDER

By the Commission:

Procedural History

On October 21, 2010, Consumers Gas Company ("Consumers") filed a verified Petition pursuant to Section 7-101 of the Public Utilities Act, ("Act") 220 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq., seeking approval of a lease agreement with C.A. Robinson ("Robinson"), who is an "affiliated interest" of Consumers as is defined by 5/7-101(2)(ii) of the Act.

Pursuant to notice as required by law and the rules and regulations of the Commission, this matter came on for hearing by a duly authorized Administrative Law Judge of the Commission at its offices in Springfield, Illinois, on November 29, 2010.

Consumers is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Illinois and is engaged in the distribution and sale of natural gas to approximately 5,500 customers, counting the Shawneetown and Equality, Illinois municipal systems each as one customer, in Gallatin, White and Edwards Counties. Robinson, a shareholder of Consumers owns real estate and improvements thereon located at 1410 North Cullen Avenue, in Evansville, Vanderburgh County, Indiana and is an "affiliated Interest" as defined by 220 ILCS 5/7-101(2)(ii) of the Act.

In Docket No. 07-0372 the Commission entered an order approving a lease agreement between Consumers and Robinson that terminated on September 30, 2010 and Consumer seeks authority to enter a new lease, a copy of which is attached to the Petition as Exhibit GR-2. The ownership of Consumers and Robinson are such that an affiliated interests exists.

Analysis and Conclusion

The Commission, having considered the entire record herein and being fully advised in the premises, is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) Consumers Gas Company is an Illinois corporation engaged in the distribution of natural gas to the public in Illinois, and is a public utility within the meaning of the Act;

- (2) Consumers Gas Company and C.A. Robinson are "affiliated interests" as is defined in Section 7-101(2) of the Act;
- (3) the Commission has jurisdiction of the parties hereto and the subject matter hereof;
- (4) the recitals of fact and conclusions reached in the prefatory portion of this Order are supported by the record and are hereby adopted as findings of fact;
- (5) the lease agreement in this docket which extends through September 30, 2011, is reasonable and in the public interest and must be approved by the Commission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that consent and approval is hereby granted to the lease agreement between Consumers Gas Company and C.A. Robinson, through September 30, 2011.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that subject to the provisions of 83 Ill. Adm. Code 200.880, this Order is final; it is not subject to the Administrative Review Law.

By Order of the Commission this 15th day of December, 2010.

(SIGNED) MANUEL FLORES

Acting Chairman